
Meeting Minutes, 9 August 2020

Beirut, Lebanon

LOCATION	Beirut, Lebanon– Online
DATE	9 August 2020
CHAIR	Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS	ACTED, Action Against Hunger, Aid International, CARE, Caritas CH, Concern, Gruppo di Volontariato Civile (GVC), Humanity & Inclusion, Humedica, International Medical Corps, International Orthodox Christian Charities, Intersos, Medair, Medical Teams International, Medecins du Monde, Mercy Corps, Plan International, Première Urgence International, Relief International, SAMS Lebanon, Save the Children, Solidarités International, Terre des Hommes Italia, Welthungerhilfe, World Vision International
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Introduction of Lebanese INGO forum to the humanitarian partners2. Objectives of the assessment mission3. Situation report

1. Introduction of Lebanese INGO forum to the humanitarian partners

This meeting was convened on Sunday 9 August thanks to the support of the Chair of the Lebanese INGO Forum. The main objective was to establish contact with the humanitarian partners on the ground and to present the different objectives of the current Logistics Cluster assessment, part of the UN Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC) response team.

2. Objectives of the assessment mission

- Partners were informed of the main objective of the mission to determine the gaps and needs of the humanitarian supply chain in the aftermath of the explosion
- Various assessments will be carried out during this period, including an assessment of Beirut port's infrastructures, Tripoli port and available warehousing spaces in Beirut.
- Determine volume of humanitarian cargo stored at Beirut port at the time of the explosion, volume of cargo already shipped to Lebanon in its aftermath and, if available, first estimations in terms of cargo expected for the response.
- The Logistics Cluster officer will circulate an excel document requesting partners to provide information from their own organisations linked to the points above (cargo stored in Beirut port at the time of the explosion, cargo shipped to Lebanon in its aftermath and expected cargo in the pipeline).

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- In case of a cluster activation, this information will help to determine the activities and services would best serve the humanitarian community.
- The Logistics Cluster officer will also liaise with the new Beirut port authorities and customs authorities.

3. Situation Report

- The activities at the Beirut container terminal will resume Monday 10 August.
- Customs officials have established their office at Beirut Airport.
- Beirut Airport is fully operational.
- A dedicated webpage to Lebanon dedicated is active on logcluster.org on the following link: <https://logcluster.org/countries/LBN> and will be regularly updated.
- Once the assessment of available storage space is completed, a map will be produced and published on the webpage.
- Partners whose warehouses have been damaged/destroyed by the explosion should inform the Logistics Cluster officer.
- Intersos Log Co informed that there is an existing Skype Logistics Group for humanitarian responders in Lebanon. The Logistics Cluster officer asked to be added.

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